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Coming Up at First UMC

- ♦ **Adult Sunday School**, October
Sundays, 9 am!
- ♦ **Then Feed Just One**, Oct 4
(Fairgrounds)
- ♦ **Charge Conference**, FLC: Oct 22, 6
pm
- ♦ **Brunch & Trunk or Treat**, Oct 29
- ♦ **All Saints Sunday**, Nov 5
- ♦ **Harvest Auction!**
Nov 19
- ♦ **Christmas Program & All-Church
Celebration**, Dec 10



The Voyager

**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

October 2023

801 Broadway St, PO Box 99, Emmetsburg IA 50536
712-852-2154; emmetsburg-first-umc@iaumc.net

Pastor Kolleen Queener (kolleen.queener@iaumc.net)
Terry Luiken, secretary; John Strohman, custodian



We'll observe All Hallow's Eve on October 29. Learn about the theology of Halloween (yup, there's a church connection), share Brunch & games following Worship, and then dude up our vehicles for a community Trunk & Treat at noon.

Wear your costumes (or not) and be prepared to welcome super heros and spooks alike!

All Saints Sunday



In the New Testament, the word "saints" describes the entire community of followers of The Way of Jesus. *We all are part of the great cloud of witnesses.*

On this Sunday, we remember with gratitude those who have gone before, saints who have touched our lives. Bring a picture of someone you dearly miss to share.

We will also dedicate this year's memorials and join at the table to remember Jesus. Mark your calendars for this special day of worship and remembering.

Dear First UMC Family,

This last week I was reminded that fall is not just a time to harvest—it’s also a time to plant. In fact, it’s the perfect time for plants to grow deep roots that can withstand the deep freeze of winter and sweltering heat of summer. Psalm 1 celebrates the deep roots that form when we live into God’s Instruction—which Jesus sums up as Love God by Loving Your Neighbor.

Fall is when we, as a United Methodist Church, harvest AND plant seeds:


- ◆ we identify the growing edges of grace for our congregation as we seek to make disciples (both in and out of our congregation) in the coming year (Charge Conference);
- ◆ we gather servants who share their gifts for our ministries in and around the church (nominations);
- ◆ we welcome friends and neighbors—NO strings attached (fellowship).

This month we will explore Jesus’ invitation to the table and the ways in which God’s grace is revealed when we share meals and are present with one another. We also have some great opportunities to put our faith in action with the Annual Soup Supper, Wednesday Night JAM and our Trunk & Treat event. Be sure to INVITE everyone you know to join us for these ways to deepen our roots of faith!

How do you choose to deepen your faith? When are you loving God? Loving neighbor?

In Christ,
Pastor Kolleen





Confirmation Class

Is your student in 6th, 7th or 8th grade this year?

If so, please call or email Pastor Kolleen. We would like to hold Confirmation classes this year, possibly on Wednesday early out days. Once we have a list of potential students, we’ll schedule a family meeting to work out timing and activities.

Pastor Kolleen: 712.541.3266 or kolleen.queener@iaumc.net

October Worship Stewards

	10/01	10/08	10/15	10/22	10/29
Acolytes	Beckham Shirk Mason Shirk	Ally Rouse Hank Rouse	MaKenna Burns Maddi Burns	Steven Horsman Savannah Strohman	Jameson Fehr Kysen Kogel
Liturgists	Sarah Strohman	Sarah Frederick	Michelle Kogel	Michelle Chase	Brian Garrels
A-V	Kogel Family	Anderson Family	Duhn Family	Ditch Family	Hudson Family
Video/ Livestreaming	Paxton Duhn				
Offering Counters	Cal Christensen Karen Sargent	Brian Garrels Dean VerMulm	Greg Hoyman Jim Hobart	Shayne Kogel Karen Sargent	Tony Salas Steve Hoyman
Communion	Sarah Frederick Amy VerMulm Jamie Christensen				

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 • 10 am Worship & Communion*	2 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Horizons	3 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Bible Study	4 • 3 pm Coffee Time* • 5:30 pm JAM(Wed Worship)	5 • 1 pm Horizons • 7:30 pm AA	6 • 12:30 Hope Haven	7 10 am Private Party
8 • 10 am Worship * • 11 am Soup Supper	9 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Horizons • Finance 7 pm	10 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Bible Study • 7 pm ELF & Outreach	11 • 3 pm Coffee Time* • 5:30 pm JAM(Wed Worship) • 8 pm Council*	12 • 1 pm Horizons • 7:30 pm AA	13 • 12:30 Hope Haven • Quilt Retreat (FLC)	14 • Quilt Retreat (FLC)
15 • 10 am Worship*	16 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Horizons	17 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Bible Study	18 • 3 pm Coffee Time* • 5:30 pm JAM(Wed Worship)	19 • 1 pm Horizons • 7:30 pm AA • 1:30 pm Trinity PALS	20 • 12:30 Hope Haven	21
22 • 10 am Worship* • 6 pm Charge Conference	23 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Horizons	24 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Bible Study	25 • 3 pm Coffee Time* • 5:30 pm JAM(Wed Worship)	26 • 1 pm Horizons • 7:30 pm AA	27 • 12:30 Hope Haven	28 • Private Event (FLC)
29 • 10 am Worship * • 11 am Trunk/Treat	30 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Horizons	31 • 12 pm Card Club • 1:30 pm Bible Study				

*Main Building—all others in Family Life Center

Call the office to schedule building use—712.852.2154

NEW Office Hours

Mon: 9am - 2pm
Tues: 9am—2pm
Wed: by appointment
Thurs: 9am—noon
Fri: by appointment

Emmetsburg First UMC Membership Update

To help Pastor Kolleen learn more about you and our congregation, as well as update our records, please complete the update and survey below and return to church in August. *Thank you!*

Name

Address

Do you have online/internet access? yes no

Household Members & Relationship	Birthday	Anniver- sary	Grade if in School	Baptized? Location/Year	Confirmed? Location/Year	Transferred? Location/Year	Email	Phone

1. Would you like to receive the monthly newsletter by email or snail mail?
2. What's your favorite hymn/song?
3. What do you think EFUMC is known for in the community?
4. For your own faith formation, what kinds of church activities outside of Sunday worship would you like to participate in (select as many as apply):

Small Groups – Activity-based

Prayer Team

Visitation Team

Midweek Gathering

Bible/Book Study

Community Mission Team

Children's/Youth Ministry

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Ministering to Our Seniors

♥ Jackie Donovan

♥ Anne Carney

Emmetsburg
Care Center

2405 21st St, Emmetsburg

♥ Darlene Harris

Emerald Oaks
Assisted Living

2603 17th St, Emmetsburg

♥ Marjorie Solberg

St Luke's

1301 St Luke's Dr, D9

Spencer IA 50501

♥ Virginia Place

Lakeside Senior Care

301 N Lawler St,

Emmetsburg

♥ Joyce Muller

♥ Helen Merrill #203

PARC Hall

3201 1st St, Emmetsburg

♥ Pat Anderson, #103

♥ Jan Bare #206

Willow Ridge

3203 1st St, Emmetsburg

Please send a card or stop by to brighten their day!

If you are, or know, someone who is homebound, please let Pastor Kolleen know. Also, if you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the church—the hospital does not call. Contact the church office at 712.852.2154 or email emmetsburg-first-umc@iaumc.net

Prayer Requests

BJ Curry

Missy Hall

Morrison family

Stevens family

Kelcie Sargent

Farmers for safe harvest

Individual prayer requests will be listed in the newsletter & the bulletin for a month. Please contact the church office at 712-852-2154 to add /relist requests.

WATCH our Facebook page for a new prayer group where we can share our prayer requests privately.

Chapters in Our Life Together

2 Jon Jamison

3 Madelyn Anderson

4 Howard Argabright

Owen Rouse

6 Alyvia Curry

Carter Hudson

7 Nancy Hinrich

Clay Shirk

8 Judy Sample

9 Kathy Heng

10 Jeanelle Stokes

11 Connie Manwarren

12 Troy Hall

15 Wendell Duhn

16 Rich Rouse

19 Bonnie Whitney

25 Brennan Duhn

26 Marcie Frevert

Kyle Malm

Cole Shirk

28 Larry Leners

Madison Burns

Adam Herr

Matthew Hill

29 Missy Hall

30 Wade Lundgren

31 Virginia Place

Jon Williams

3 Larry & Julie Leners

7 Dick & Judy Sample

13Chris & Kari Mammen

27 BJ & Darci Curry

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

OCTOBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Thank You History Team!

So many thanks to the History Team and so many others who helped make our 150th Anniversary a fantastic celebration!

The History Team spent months pouring through our archives and organizing photographs, documents and memorabilia. They compiled a new history book (still available!) and created wonderful displays highlighting milestones in our story. Thank you to Rosemary Matthews and her dedicated team for all your hard work!

Our celebration was truly a group effort, with many ladies from Outreach providing a lovely luncheon following worship, as well as the Chancel Choir, directed by David Fog and accompanied by Kelley Fog, providing special music, and Rosemary Matthews, Rosie Argabright, Ted Ellis, and Brian Garrels sharing history and stories.

We were thankful for many guests who visited to help us remember who we are, including Pastor Dave Crow and Pastor Jon Gaul.

Here's to the next 150 years!



Empowering First UMC Ministry

Giving Report (Aug 25 - Sept 25)

Monthly Offerings	\$13,231.10
JAM	40.01
Rent Income	175.00
Funeral Hospitality	200.00
FLC Rental	550.00
General Fund Total	\$13,406.10
Trustees Acct	\$30,807.56
Last Month's Giving	\$5,761.49

Your generous and consistent giving makes a difference.
Thank you for your faithful support of First UMC Ministries

Budget 2023

Needed Yearly	\$217,681.00
Needed Monthly	\$18,140.08
Need Weekly	\$4,186.17

Ways to GIVE



- ◆ Online at vancopayments.com or emmetsburgumc.com
- ◆ Mobile phone: Vanco App
- ◆ Venmo App - @Eburg-UMC
Code 2508
- ◆ Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

Your Invited to our

Annual soup supper



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FAMILY LIFE CENTER

711 BROADWAY
EMMETSBURG, IA 50536

OCT | 8 | 2023

From 4:30-6:30pm

Vegetable Beef - Chicken Noodle - Chili Rolls & Bars

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